

# LAWS IN REFERENCE TO SEAL, 1776-1893.

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## ORDINANCE ADOPTED AT HALIFAX, DECEMBER, 1776.

AN ORDINANCE FOR APPOINTING CERTAIN COMMISSIONS THEREIN NAMED, TO PROCURE A GREAT SEAL FOR THIS STATE, AND OTHER PURPOSES THEREIN MENTIONED.

Whereas it is necessary that a great seal should immediately be procured for this state for the use of the Governor for the time being, to be affixed to all grants, proclamations and other public acts; and that certain commissioners be appointed for that purpose:

II. Be it therefore ordained, and it is hereby ordained, by the representatives of the freemen of the state of North-Carolina, in Congress assembled, and by the authority of the same, That William Hooper, Joseph Hewes, and Thomas Burke, Esquires, be appointed commissioners to procure for this state, for the use of the Governor for the time being thereof, a great seal, to be affixed to all grants, proclamations and other public acts.

III. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the Governor for the time shall, until the great seal can be procured, make use of his own private seal at arms, and affix the same to all grants, proclamations, and other public acts of this state.

Ratified the 22d of December, 1776.

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## ACT PASSED BY GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT NEWBERN, APRIL, 1778.

AN ACT FOR PROCURING A GREAT SEAL FOR THIS STATE.

Whereas it is necessary that a great seal be procured, to be used by the governor for the time being as the seal of this state:

II. Be it therefore enacted the General Assembly of the state of North-Carolina, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of same, That William Tisdale, Esq. be and he is hereby appointed to cut and engrave a seal, under the direction of his excellency the governor, for the use of the state; and the said seal, when engraved, shall be called the great seal of the state of North-Carolina, and shall be used and affixed by the governor for the time being to all grants, proclamations and other public acts of the executive authority of this state.

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## ACT PASSED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT NEWBERN, DECEMBER, 1791.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE A PROPER SEAL FOR THE STATE, AND THE SEVERAL COURTS OF RECORD.

I. BE it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of North-Carolina, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That the Governor be and he is hereby authorized and required to procure